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## RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response is being filed in reply to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

37 C.F.R. §1.131 Affidavit of applicant is attached.

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